

FORT MONMOUTH ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AND PLANNING
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SOCIAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SSAC)

REPORT ON PUBLIC MEETING, SEPTEMBER 18, 2007

The FMERPA Social Services Advisory Committee (SSAC) public meeting took place on September 18, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. at the new FERMPA offices at 2-12 Corbit Way, Eatontown, N.J.

In attendance were Committee Members: Laurie Cannon, Anna Dowland, Rose Estephan, Rick Harrison, Lynn Miller. Public in attendance: Diane Canterbury, Tom Mahedy, Philip Welch. Committee Members not in attendance: Joe Colfer, Russell Valenti.

An update will be done on members of the committee.

The meeting commenced with a discussion about the NOI summaries that were emailed to the members of the committee. A follow up email will be sent to assure everyone received them.

Rick Harrison: Update on process

NOIs were sent out to SSAC members after receiving approval from the BRAC attorney. Summaries of the NOIs without provider information were disseminated.

At the next scheduled FMERPA public meeting on September 19, 2007 the formal request for an extension of time for submittal of the Plan will be done. The committee chairs were recently told that EDAW consultant team will not participate in the Advisory Committee meetings on a regular basis unless there are significant milestones or deliverables to discuss. As milestones are reached the consultants will re-engage with the committees. It was also suggested that the Advisory committees do not need to maintain an aggressive meeting schedule as they have had until the pending deliverables from the consultant team become available for consideration. In the case of the SSAC, a lot of work categorizing the NOIs and match them with the needs and priorities identified in the Monmouth County Consolidated Plan, can be done with no further input from the consultant team so an aggressive schedule still may be appropriate.

Rick thanked Diane for assisting with the NOI summaries.

Rick will be contacting the submitters to allow them to invite us in to see the type of service they provide. It will perhaps give us a better understanding of how the type of service works. All the submitters will all be given the opportunity to participate in this invitation.

The SSAC began to categorize the Homeless Assistance NOIs. They were categorized as to:

Population / Subpopulation

Type of Housing

Number of Persons / Units

Existing Service or Expansion

Need / Priority (Part of Monmouth County Consolidated Plan)

Land / Building

The NOIs were coded. We were able to begin categorizing A – J. K – M will be categorized and the others reviewed at our next meeting.

Several clarifications of information will be reviewed and further information gotten from submitters. Global check will be done on whether the population they propose to serve is within the Monmouth County region and part of the Monmouth County Consolidated Plan and Continuum of Care.

Tom asked if the submitters could be involved and be present to answer questions. The answer is the SSAC meetings are open to everyone. Many of the submitters have been present at our meetings. The public is always given the opportunity to make comments and suggestions. WE will check with our BRAC attorney concerning sending out a letter to the providers reminding them of the upcoming public meetings. The information on meetings is published in the papers and is always on our website.

The next meeting of the SSAC will be on October 2, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. at the FMERPA offices.